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## DETAILED ACTION

### EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Attorney of record Richard A. Machonkin on June 27, 2007.
3. Claims 9-18 has been cancelled.

**In claim 1, delete** "A method of managing a plurality of directory numbers for a mobile station, said plurality of directory numbers including at least a first directory number and a second directory number, said method comprising: associating said first directory number with an identifier code recognized by said mobile station; detecting a first incoming call request to connect a first incoming call to said first directory number; in response to said first incoming call request, transmitting a query to a call control system, said query identifying said first directory number; receiving a response to said

query, said response including said identifier code; and transmitting over an air interface a first message to said mobile station, said first message including said identifier code to indicate that said first directory number is being called.", and **insert** - - A method of managing a plurality of directory numbers for a mobile station, said plurality of directory numbers including at least a first directory number and a second directory number, said method comprising: associating said first directory number with an identifier code recognized by said mobile station; detecting a first incoming call request to connect a first incoming call to said first directory number; in response to said first incoming call request, transmitting a query to a call control system, said query identifying said first directory number; receiving a response to said query, said response including said identifier code; transmitting over an air interface a first message to said mobile station, said first message including said identifier code to indicate that said first directory number is being called; detecting a second incoming call request to connect a second incoming call to said second directory number; and in response to said second incoming call request, transmitting a second message to said mobile station without including said identifier code - -, thereto.

***Allowable Subject Matter***

4. **Claims 1-8** are allowed.
5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:  
**Claim 1**, is allowed in view of Applicant's arguments on February 16, 2007.

**Claim 1**, is allowed because the closest prior art, Sasano (US 5,220,599), and Silverman (US 5,875,240) fail to anticipate or render obvious as stated in the Applicant's Remarks on pages 1-4, in combination with all other limitations in the claims as defined by applicant.

Dependent claims 2-8 are allowable for the same reason as set forth above.


Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance".

6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael T. Vu whose telephone number is (571) 272-8131. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00am - 6:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph Feild can be reached on 571-272-4090. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-272-8300.

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